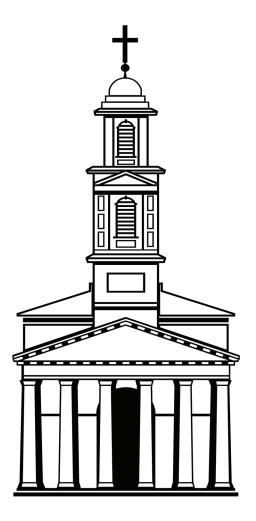
THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: TRINITY SUNDAY June 15, 2025 + Holy Eucharist at 10:30 a.m.



SAINT JºHN'S CHURCH

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St. John's is a church for people of all races, ethnicities, genders, sexual orientations, and viewpoints grounded in love. Whoever you are, we welcome you. Welcome to St. John's Church, Lafayette Square. All are invited to participate in the service as able. Congregational responses appear in **bold**. Nursery care is available from 10 a.m. to noon on the second floor of the Parish House.

Prayer cards are provided at the entrance of the church. You are invited to write your prayers and place them in the collection plate. Your prayers will be blessed and will be prayed for by a priest during the week.

The music today is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Anne Mitchell.

VOLUNTARY

Prelude in E-flat major, BWV 552

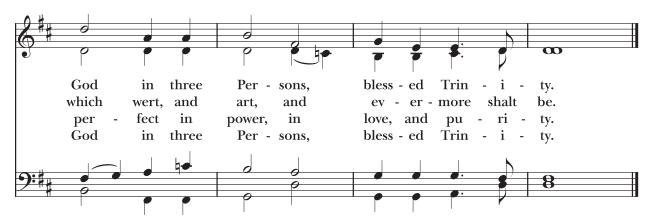
J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

HYMN 362

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able as the procession enters.





Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826), alt. Music: Nicaea, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876).

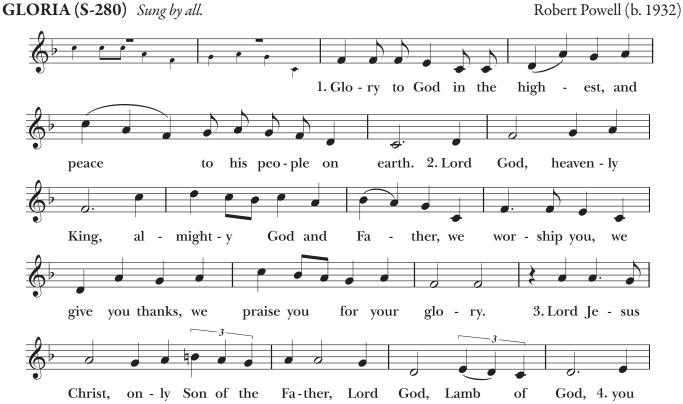
THE WORD OF GOD

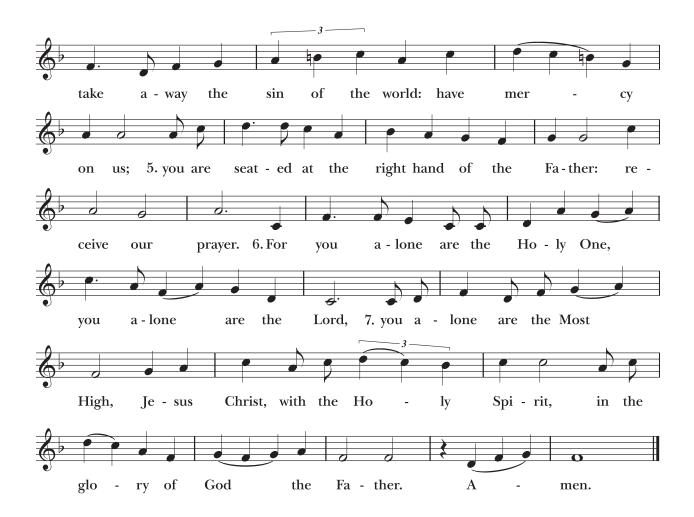
Please remain standing as you are able.

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Priest

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.





THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

PriestThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.PriestLet us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Please be seated.

Romans 5:1-5 *Read by Holly Sukenik.*

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Reader The Word of the Lord. *People* Thanks be to God.

PSALM 8

Sung by the choir; setting by Gerald Knight (1908–1979).

O LORD our Governor, * how exalted is your Name in all the world!

Out of the mouths of infants and children * your majesty is praised above the heavens.

You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, * to quell the enemy and the avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, * the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

What is man that you should be mindful of him?* the son of man that you should seek him out?

You have made him but little lower than the angels; * you adorn him with glory and honor;

You give him mastery over the works of your hands; * you put all things under his feet:

All sheep and oxen, * even the wild beasts of the field,

The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, * and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.

O LORD our Governor, * how exalted is your Name in all the world!

Children's Chapel in the Parish House: All who wish may gather in front of the pulpit during the hymn and will return at the Peace. Parents are encouraged to accompany children younger than three.

GRADUAL HYMN 367

Round the Lord in glory seated

Sung by all, standing as you are able. Stanzas 1 & 2 will be sung before the Gospel, stanza 3 after.



Words: Richard Mant (1776-1848). Music: Rustington, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918).

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Please remain standing as you are able.

DeaconThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

DeaconThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

Following the Gospel, all sing stanza 3 of the gradual hymn.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dcn. Eric Bailey

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand as you are able.

Let us affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Kneeling or standing as you are able.

Intercessor	In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.
Silence.	
Intercessor People	For all people in their daily life and work; For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.
Intercessor People	For Donald, our President, the leaders of Congress, the Supreme Court, and all who are in authority; for this community, the nation, and the world; For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.
Intercessor People	For the just and proper use of your creation; For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, oppression, and war.
Intercessor People	For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.
Intercessor People	For the peace and unity of the Church of God; For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.
Intercessor People	For the communities of St. John's and our companion relationships with the Anglican Church of Southern Africa* and the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, for Trinity, DC; Trinity, Newport & Hughesville and Old Fields Chapel; Trinity, St. Mary's City and St. Mary's Chapel; and Trinity, Upper Marlboro. For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and Mariann, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers. For all who serve God in his Church.
Intercessor People	For the special needs and concerns of this congregation Hear us, Lord; For your mercy is great.
Intercessor People	We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life We will exalt you, O God our King; And praise your Name for ever and ever.
Intercessor	We pray for all who have died , that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
D/.	Who must shall structure in some

People Who put their trust in you.

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

Intercessor We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence.

- *All* Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- *Priest* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.*People* And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

You may make an offering by placing your donation in the plate, or use this QR code to pay electronically. A donation via this code can go only to offerings and not to pledges or any other specific funds.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Be thou my vision

arr. Healey Willan (1880–1968)

Sung by the choir.

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; all else be nought to me, save that thou art—thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Father; thine own may I be; thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

High King of heaven, when victory is won, may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

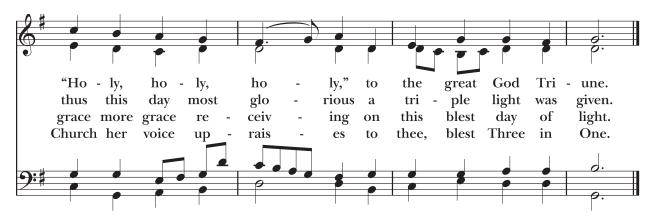
—Irish, ca. 700; versified Mary Elizabeth Byrne (1880–1931)



HYMN 48

Sung by all, standing as you are able.





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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please remain standing as you are able.

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS (S-129) Sung by all. Robert Powell Lord, God pow-er and Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho ly of 3 3 might, and earth full of Ho hea - ven your glo - ry. are na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who san 3 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Please stand or kneel as you are able. The priest continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our ancestors in faith; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

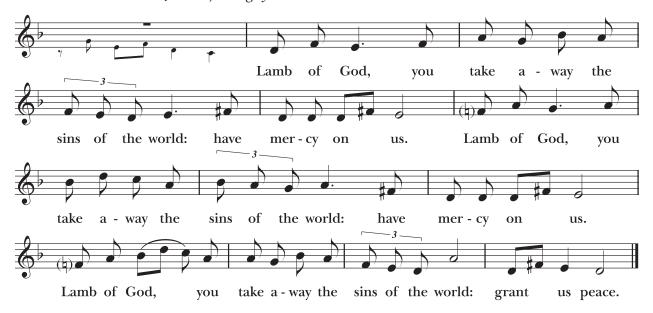
People Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- *Priest* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
- All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

FRACTION ANTHEM (S-163) Sung by all.



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Priest The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All persons, including children, are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us. Wait for an usher to call your pew to come forward. You will first be handed a wafer by a priest (gluten-free wafers are available by request) and then offered wine by a lay server. You may either sip the wine or dip your wafer into the wine. Receiving the bread alone is a valid way to share in the Eucharist. Parents may decide if their children receive the bread and/or wine. All may instead signal their desire to be blessed by the priest by crossing their arms over their chest.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Te Deum laudamus

John Ireland (1879–1962)

Sung by the choir.

We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting. To thee all angels cry aloud; the heavens and all the powers therein. To thee cherubim and seraphim continually do cry, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory. The glorious company of the apostles praise thee. The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise thee. The noble army of martyrs praise thee. The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee; the Father, of an infinite majesty; thine honorable, true, and only Son; also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter. Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ. Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father. When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man, thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb. When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father. We believe that thou shalt come to be our Judge. We therefore pray thee, help thy servants, whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood. Make them to be numbered with thy saints, in glory everlasting. O Lord, save thy people, and bless thine heritage. Govern them and lift them up for ever. Day by day we magnify thee; and we worship thy Name ever, world without end. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin. O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us. O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us, as our trust is in thee. O Lord, in thee have I trusted; let me never be confounded.

-4th-century hymn

HYMN 324 Sung by all, seated.

Let all mortal flesh keep silence



Words: Liturgy of St. James; para. Gerard Moultrie (1829-1885). Music: *Picardy*, French carol, 17th cent.; melody from *Chansons populaires des Provinces de France*, 1860; harm. after *The English Hymnal*, 1906.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *Please stand or kneel as you are able.*

Priest Let us pray.

All Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

When scheduled, the Priest offers a communion kit to any Lay Eucharistic Minister doing a home visit, saying

On behalf of God and St. John's Church, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those whom you will visit may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood. **Amen.**

THE BLESSING

Life is short. And we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the Priest way with us. So be swift to love. Make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. Amen.





Words: Att. Patrick (372-466); tr. Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895). Music: *St. Patrick's Breastplate*, Irish melody; adapt. Charler Villiers Stanford (1852-1924); St. 6, *Deirdre*, Irish melody; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. *People* Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

On an Ancient Alleluia

Roberta Bitgood (1908–2007)

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD,

and in memory of Anne Mitchell.

ASSISTING AT THIS SERVICE

Beverly Roberts, *Crucifer* Jack Reiffer and Matthew Taylor, *Chalice Bearers* Grant Kraus, *Assistant Head Usher* Linda Chen, Doug Estes, Julia Koster, and Karen Zachary, *Ushers* John Schutz and Susan Welch, *Greeters* Amanda Claire Hoover, *Flower Guild* Jeremy Skog, *Livestream Technician*

Please help us be good stewards of the environment. If you do not wish to take this bulletin home after the service, you may leave it at the end of the pew as you depart or place it in a blue recycling bin.

ARE YOU NEW TO ST. JOHN'S?

Please let us know who you are and how we can best serve you by filling out a "Welcome" card and leaving it in the offering plate or with an usher or greeter. + Free valet parking is available from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Sundays; look for the valet sign at the corner of 16th and H streets, NW. + Find us on Instagram at @stjohnschurchlafayettesquare or visit stjohns-dc.org for more about our offerings and how to get in touch.

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Announcements for the Week of June 15

TODAY AT ST. JOHN'S

Refugee School Supply Drive begins; see page 2 for details.

- 8 a.m. Eucharist—Sermon by the Rev. Dcn. Eric Bailey
- 10 a.m. Nursery—available until noon (Parish House Second Floor)
- 10:30 a.m. Choral Eucharist—Sermon by the Rev. Dcn. Eric Bailey Children's Chapel (children begin in church)
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour (Plaza, weather permitting, or Parish House First Floor) Church Tour (see next column)

FLOWER DELIVERIES

Help us brighten the day of parishioners by taking them flowers, located in the side chapel most Sundays of the year. A card is attached to each vase with contact information.

Today a flower delivery is needed to: Macarthur Boulevard, NW.



TOUR OF ST. JOHN'S CHURCH Today at 11:30 a.m.

For more than 200 years our church has served as a place of worship for a growing and everchanging city and country. Its structure is a lasting testament to Benjamin Henry Latrobe, who, because of his training in both architecture and engineering, is considered by the American Institute of Architects as our country's first architect. If you are interested in an in-person tour of St. John's Church, meet at the front of the church near the baptismal font after the 10:30 a.m. service. Today's guide is Susan Cardwell.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINS Here's the lineup now through Labor Day

8 a.m.	Eucharist with Sermon			
9:30 a.m.	Summer Choir (begins June 29)			
10 a.m.	Nursery—available until noon			
10:30 a.m.	Choral Eucharist with Sermon and Children's Chapel			
11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour			
	Church Tour (when scheduled)			
Free valet parking available Sundays, from 8:30 a.m.				
to 12:30 p.m. Speak to an usher to learn more.				

Visit stjohns-dc.org/connect/newsletters to subscribe to our weekly e-newsletter (The Word) and other parish email lists.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

June 16–22

Monday—12:10 p.m.—Eucharist Tuesday—12:10 p.m.—Eucharist Wednesday—12:10 p.m.—Eucharist No noonday service on Thursday: Juneteenth No noonday service on Friday: Special event Sunday—The Rev. Rob Fisher, preacher 8 a.m. Eucharist with Sermon 10:30 a.m. Choral Eucharist with Children's Chapel

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Monday, June 16

6:15 p.m. Lawyers' AA (Togo West Parlor)

Tuesday, June 17

1 p.m. Staff Meeting (Togo West Parlor)6 p.m. Vestry Meeting (Togo West Parlor)

Thursday, June 19

Parish Office closed for Juneteenth

Saturday, June 21

10:30 a.m. Grace's Table (see below)

GRACE'S TABLE

Third Saturdays, from 10:30 a.m to 12:30 p.m. Upcoming Dates: June 21, July 19, and August 16

Grace's Table is an outreach partnership between St. John's and Grace Episcopal Church in Georgetown. Every third Saturday of the month, a group from St. John's prepares and serves a meal at Grace to folks who are unhoused or at risk of losing their housing. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know other St. John's parishioners and to spread God's loving kindness in our community. Contact leader Elizabeth Field using the Connect: Ministry Directory tab of our website with questions or to volunteer.

REFUGEE SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE Now through Sunday, July 6

The Refugee Committee is hosting its annual backpack and school supply drive for K through 5th-grade refugee youth. Please help welcome refugee students to our area by donating new school supplies!

We are collecting backpacks; three-ring binders (1- to 2inch), packs of loose-leaf wide-ruled paper, composition books, wide-ruled wirebound notebooks, folders with pockets; #2 pencils, crayons, colored pencils, markers, highlighters; pencil boxes or pouches; hand-held pencil sharpeners, hand-held erasers, glue sticks, child-safe scissors, and rulers with both inches and centimeters.

On Sundays, we are collecting the new supplies under the portico of the church facade before and after the 10:30 a.m. service. On weekdays, you may place donations in the box inside the H Street church entrance. You can also donate through the Amazon Wish List found at bit.ly/refugee-school-supplies-2025. Questions? Contact Lacy Broemel through our website.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



LATROBE FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH Sunday, June 22, at 11:30 a.m.

The Latrobe Fellowship is a vibrant group of young adults, primarily in their 20s and 30s. We will meet on Sunday, June 22, for brunch after the 10:30 a.m. service. Gather in the sanctuary around 11:30 a.m. to walk together to Immigrant Food (1701 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW), or meet us there. For more details, contact the Rev. Dcn. Eric Bailey via the About: Leadership tab of our website.

SUMMER POST-CHURCH POTLUCKS Sundays, June 29 and July 27, at 11:30 a.m.

During the summer, we extend our tradition of socializing, with a monthly potluck in the Togo West Parlor after the 10:30 a.m. service. Please sign up to bring a salad, bread, or dessert. Contact Holly Sukenik via "Parish Lunch" at stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory with questions.

SUMMER CHOIR BEGINS JUNE 29

Singers of all stripes are invited to join the Summer Choir, which sings for the 10:30 a.m. service from June 29 through Labor Day weekend. Rehearsal begins every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. There is no midweek commitment, and you are welcome to sing for as many or as few Sundays as you are able. This is a great opportunity to explore the choral program at St. John's and to get to know members of the St. John's Choir and Parish Choir who will be on hand to lend their voices as well. Please contact Brent Erstad via the About: Leadership tab on our website with questions or to learn more about the music program at St. John's.



FIFE AND DRUM SERVICE Sunday, July 6, at 10:30 a.m.

Join us at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, July 6, for our annual Fife and Drum service featuring the Summer Choir and guest musicians offering music in celebration of Independence Day. Highlights include "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," "Stars and Stripes Forever," and other music representative of the history and culture of America.

To make a donation in support of the special music on Fife and Drum Sunday, please contact Brent Erstad through the About: Leadership tab on our website.



RSCM EVENSONG WITH GUEST CONDUCTOR Thursday, July 10, at 5 p.m.

Join us for a special service of Choral Evensong sung by the Royal School of Church Music (RSCM) DC Residency Choir. The choir will include musicians from around the country who are gathered in DC for a week of study, rehearsal, and liturgy. The conductor of the choir is Dr. Jeremy Filsell, currently of St. Thomas Church, Fifth Avenue, New York City. Please join us in welcoming this wonderful group of church musicians to St. John's.

ERIC BAILEY'S ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD Saturday, July 19, at 10 a.m.

All are warmly invited to Eric Bailey's ordination to the priesthood at 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 19, at Washington



National Cathedral. Eric is our new Assistant for Youth, Young Adults, and New Member Engagement. He has been serving at St. John's since the summer of 2024, and received his M.Div. from Virginia Theological Seminary in May 2025. Join us in celebrating this special occasion in Eric's life and the life of the wider church.

FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

NURSERY HOURS Sundays, 10 a.m. to noon

Infants and children are welcome at all worship services. Nursery care is also available most Sundays for infants and children up to age three. The nursery meets in the Godly Play Classroom #2 on the second floor of the Parish House.

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL Sundays during 10:30 a.m. worship

Children from birth through grade 5 are invited to gather by the pulpit during the gradual hymn and process to the Parish House for a song, homily, and prayer time, returning to the sanctuary at the Peace. Parents may accompany their children and are encouraged to do so for those younger than three. Children are also welcome to stay and worship in the main sanctuary. Questions? Contact the Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

The following programs for children and youth are currently on summer hiatus and will resume after Labor Day:

CHURCH SCHOOL CLASSES

Sundays, 10-10:50 a.m., from September through May

Children in pre-K through fifth grade may participate in Church School on the second floor of the Parish House. For information, contact the Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

YOUTH GROUP

Sundays, 10-10:50 a.m., from September through May

Most Sundays from September through May, middle and high school youth are invited to the second floor of the Parish House for an exploration of life and faith with their peers. Questions? Contact the Rev. Dcn. Eric Bailey via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

THE ACOLYTE MINISTRY

Sundays during 11 a.m. worship, September through May

Youth in 6th grade and above are welcome to participate during the 11 a.m. service, serving as torch bearers or crucifers and helping set the altar for communion. To learn more, contact us via stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.

CHORISTER PROGRAM From September through May

We offer a preparatory choir for children in grades 3–6 and an advanced (auditioned) program for young singers with unchanged voices. To learn more or express interest, contact Brent Erstad via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

REMINDERS

ADULT BIBLE STUDY Occasional summer Sundays via Zoom

During the program year, this group gathers most Sunday mornings, using a hybrid approach, with some joining via Zoom and others in person. Now through the end of summer, we will meet occasionally via Zoom, dates to be determined, with weekly study materials provided by email. Conversations explore the connections with the Sunday lectionary lessons and sermons. For information, contact Jack Reiffer via the Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org.

FLOWER MEMORIALS AND THANKSGIVINGS

Flowers in the church and Parish House are made possible by gifts and are often dedicated to the memory of a loved one or to mark a birth or birthday, wedding, anniversary, graduation, or other special event. To make a dedication, pick up a flower card at the entrance to the church.

MAKE A PLEDGE TO ST. JOHN'S

A pledge is a commitment of financial support payable over the course of a year that enables us to plan the work that we undertake in mission



and ministry. You can indicate a pledge commitment using this QR code or by visiting the **Give** tab on our website.

ONLINE OFFERINGS TO DESIGNATED FUNDS

To make a monetary offering toward your pledge or a specific fund, scan the QR code at right, or visit our website, then select the desired destination using the "Fund" drop-down menu.



LISTEN AGAIN TO SUNDAY SERMONS

To listen to past sermons or speaker series, visit our website, scan this QR code or search for "St. John's Church, Lafayette Square" in the Podcast app on your device.

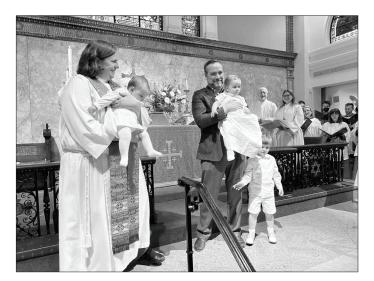


JOIN A MINISTRY GROUP

Explore our many ministry groups at www.stjohns-dc.org, and contact the leaders via our online Ministry Directory for details or to sign up.

LIVESTREAMED SERVICES

The weekly 10:30 a.m. Sunday service (11 a.m. from September through May) is broadcast and available for replay on our website, as are evensongs and occasional other special services and events.



BAPTISMS

If you are interested in baptism for yourself or for a child, please contact Lisa Koehler via the About: Leadership tab on our website. Please note that the parents or grandparents of children being baptized must be active, pledging members of St. John's. Adults interested in baptism must also attend an Adult Inquirers' Class, offered twice a year, and be active, pledging participants in the life of the parish. Upcoming dates for baptism and required pre-baptismal classes with the clergy at St. John's include:

Sunday, November 2, at 9 a.m.

Class: Saturday, November 1, at 10 a.m.

Sunday, January 11, 2026, at 11 a.m. Class: Saturday, January 10, at 10 a.m.

Sunday, February 15, at 9 a.m. Class: Saturday, February 14, at 10 a.m.

PRAYER & PASTORAL CARE

Praying for those in need is an important part of our life together. Contact the Pastoral Care team via the Connect: Ministry Directory tab at stjohns-dc.org to add yourself, family, or friends to our prayer list. Names of friends and family who are not members of the congregation are followed by the name of the parishioner making the request.

Our prayers are requested for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially:

THOSE WHO ARE SICK, RECOVERING, OR GRIEVING

From our parish: Margo Arnold, Hyman Field, Barney Malloy, David Springer, and Jocelyn Tichenor.

Friends and family of our parish: Conor Barry (Sarah Wood), Billy Beardsley Conderman (Margo Arnold), Gisela Block (Sigi Block), Cliff Christians (Jack Reiffer), Jim DeBello (Grace Barrett), Ed Eder (Joanne and Powell Hutton), Sue Edmonds (Sarah and Jeff Agnew), Julie Ellis (Preston Cherouny), Bob and Heather Gilbert (Andrea Winchell), Linda Young Gsell (Rick Young), Mark Hallett (Livy More), Morgan Hickenlooper (Livy More), Doug Holy (Joanne Hutton), Jack (Marta Cook and Cal Trepagnier), Latithia and Charles Jones (GeeGee Bryant), Veronica Jones (Chris Jones and Robert Chrystal), Charlotte Crowley Junilla (Margo Arnold), Olivia Kehoe (Kat Kehoe), Elizabeth Lee (Clayton Crawford), William Markiewicz (Matthew Taylor), Jim Martella (Livy More), Tammy McCleaf (Matthew Taylor), Nell Montgomery (Brandon Montgomery), Teri Nelson (Lisa Koehler), Patrick Christopher O'Donnell (Wendy J. Fibison), Paul Peralta (Debby Hailey), Ann Petrosky (Johnathan Miller), Norm Phillips (Susan Cardwell), Leo S. (Wendy J. Fibison), Nancy Stephenson (Ann and John Gardner), Scott (Marta Cook and Cal Trepagnier), Pam Snyder (Sarah Agnew), Patsy Swain (Margo Arnold), Sallie and William Wilkie Thompson (Cecelia Thompson), Ashley Smith Thomson (Marta Cook and Cal Trepagnier), Mackenzie Toland (Wendy J. Fibison), Reuben Varghese (Krista and Larry Bradley), Wendy Wardwell (Jim and Pat Czerwonky),

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Darrel Williams (Caleb and James Hays-Reilly), Edward Leland Williams II (Virginia Bader), Andrew Woods (Johnathan Miller), and Linda Woolley (Blount and Charlotte Stewart).

THOSE WHO ARE IN ASSISTED LIVING

From our parish: Eve Atkeson, Milton Chamberlain, Barbie Harper, Marcella Odom, and Becky Schergens.

Friends and family of our parish: David Brown (Lisa Koehler), Wilma Daubs (Kay Gilley), Lori LaPoint (Brent Erstad), Cawley Scott (Robyne Johnston), and Carl Wright (Frank and Nancy Klotz).

THOSE WHO ARE IN HOSPICE CARE

Friends and family of our parish: Henry Farrington (Wendy J. Fibison).

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Friends and family of our parish: Lisa Nestor (Sarah Wood and Rob Fisher).

THOSE IN OUR PARISH CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY

Sarah Akes-Cardwell, Jack Bledsoe, Walker Crochet, Doug Estes, Summer Hardinge, Peter Koch, Oliver Weng, Jennifer McCann, John Morefield, Obi Onwuamaegbu, Owen Owunwanne, John Paty, Will Rabbe, Mary Raether, Beau Sanchez, Anne Seidlitz, Elizabeth Thesmar, John Welsh, and Trey Whitworth.

THOSE IN OUR PARISH CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY

Elizabeth Bartheld, Jacob Berlin, Richard Busch, Milton Chamberlain, Bayley Garland, Katie Hantson, Pamela C. Lottmann, Sylvia Martin Estes, Ralph Olson, Jo Ornstein, Carlos Reyes, Christi Rich, Garrett Russo, WonYong Shim, Katherine Simonds, Helen Stock, Ellen Vollrath, and Franklin Wyman.

THOSE ON THE FRONT LINES

Friends and family of our parish: Janie Abernethy (Elizabeth Lewis and David Abernethy) and Philip L. Faris (Caroline and Steve Faris).

Contact Pastoral Care at Connect: Ministry Directory on our website to add, remove, or change a status on the prayer list.

WELCOME!

At St. John's Church, we believe Christ is calling us to be a renewed church in a changing world. Empowered by the Spirit of God, we respond to Jesus' call as we deepen our bond with Christ through worship, become a community where all are accepted, and work together as laity and clergy to do God's work in the world.

St. John's was organized in 1815 to serve as a parish church for Episcopalians residing in the neighborhoods in the west end of the District of Columbia. Its cornerstone was laid on September 14, 1815, and it was consecrated on December 27, 1816. Beginning with James Madison, every person who has held the office of President of the United States has attended a service at the church. Several Presidents have been communicants. Thus, St. John's is often referred to as the "Church of the Presidents." Pew 54 is the President's Pew. The architect of the church was Benjamin Henry Latrobe, who assisted in the rebuilding of the U.S. Capitol and the White House after the War of 1812. Twenty-five of the stained glass windows in St. John's were designed and executed by artisans of the noted Lorin firm of Chartres, France.

If you are visiting, please fill out the visitor information card found at the end of each pew to enable us to welcome you personally into the life of our parish.

St. John's website (www.stjohns-dc.org) has up-to-date information about the church including the Sunday service schedule, Speaker Series speakers and topics, and newsworthy events.

Vestry Leadership & Members Nora Rigby, *Senior Warden* Alfred Thesmar, *Junior Warden*

Tony Anikeeff, Brian Cordova-Brookey, Kaye Edwards, Casey Evans, Debby Hailey, Fruzsina Harsanyi, Julia Koster, Elizabeth Cavert Morrison, Ucheora Onwuamaegbu, Jack Reiffer, Matthew Taylor, and Jess Unger, *Members*

> Nora Haugh, *Treasurer* Anya Kleymenova, *Assistant Treasurer* Allie Raether, *Secretary* Harker Rhodes, *Parish Counsel*

Head Usher—James H. Czerwonky Head Greeters—Eleanor and Peter Odom

> Heads of Flower Guild Pat Dalby and Katherine Kyle

Worship & Program Staff

The Rev. Robert W. Fisher, *Rector*The Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell, *Associate Rector*The Rev. William Morris, *Assisting Priest* for Engaging Local Communities
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ST. JOHN'S MISSION STATEMENT

St. John's shines as a beacon of God's love through faith, worship, care, and community, and offers a place of grace at our historic corner in the nation's capital.

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